

will want to discuss how best to effect such review with the new Comptroller General-designate as the Senate confirms his, or her, nomination.

Third, my concern for peer review for GAO reports has been heightened by a recent GAO action. GAO has just decided to eliminate its Program Evaluation and Methodology Division. While very small, this division has distinguished itself by producing some exceptional reports and by helping other GAO divisions improve the quality of many of their reports. Disbanding this division will eliminate and important source of internal expert review; this decision increases the need for external peer review.

I congratulate Comptroller General Bowsher and GAO and their 75th anniversary and I look forward to working with GAO and my colleagues in the Senate to continue this agency's tradition of very important and valuable work for Congress.

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the conference report be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the conference report be placed in the RECORD at this point.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The conference report was agreed to.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1996

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today it stand in adjournment until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 4; further, that immediately following the prayer the Journal of proceedings be deemed approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and that the Senate immediately resume consideration of H.R. 3666, the VA-HUD appropriations bill; and, further, that the Senate recess between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. for the weekly policy conferences to meet.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, for the information of all Members, there is a pending committee amendment to the VA-HUD appropriations bill that we are hoping to reach a time agreement on which would allow for a rollcall vote perhaps tomorrow morning prior to the Senate recessing for the weekly policy conferences. We hope that we can adopt a timeframe and time agreements on these measures.

We also expect that on Wednesday the Senate will take action on a resolution in regard to the situation in Iraq.

Rollcall votes are therefore expected throughout the day, and it is hoped that any Senators intending to offer an

amendment to the pending bill will be available tomorrow so that we may complete action on this appropriations bill as early as possible tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:49 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, September 4, 1996, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate August 2, 1996.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MADELEINE KORBEL ALBRIGHT, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE FIFTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

EDWARD WILLIAM GNEHM, JR., OF GEORGIA, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE FIFTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

KARL FREDERICK INDERFURTH, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE FIFTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

VICTOR MARRERO, OF NEW YORK, TO BE ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE FIFTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

SUSAN G. ESSERMAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, VICE GINGER EHN LEW.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

MARY K. GAILLARD, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 10, 2002, VICE MARY E. FOX, TERM EXPIRED.

EAMON M. KELLY, OF LOUISIANA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 10, 2002, VICE HOWARD E. SIMMONS, TERM EXPIRED.

RICHARD A. TAPIA, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 10, 2002, VICE PHILLIP A. GRIFFITHS, TERM EXPIRED.

LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

ERNESTINE P. WATLINGTON, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 13, 1999, (REAPPOINTMENT)

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BUILDING SCIENCES

NIRANJAN S. SHAH, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BUILDING SCIENCES FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 7, 1998, VICE JOHN H. MILLER, TERM EXPIRED.

THE JUDICIARY

ROBERT W. PRATT, OF IOWA, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA, VICE HAROLD D. VIETOR, RETIRED.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 3, 1996:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WYCHE FOWLER, JR., OF GEORGIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, TO WHICH POSITION HE WAS APPOINTED DURING THE LAST RECESS OF THE SENATE.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

JOHN E. HIGGINS, JR., OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD FOR THE TERM OF 5 YEARS EXPIRING AUGUST 27, 2001, VICE CHARLES I. COHEN, RESIGNED, TO WHICH POSITION HE WAS APPOINTED DURING THE LAST RECESS OF THE SENATE.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

MARY LUCILLE JORDAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH RE-

VIEW COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF 6 YEARS EXPIRING AUGUST 30, 2002, (REAPPOINTMENT), TO WHICH POSITION SHE WAS APPOINTED DURING THE LAST RECESS OF THE SENATE.

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING

HEIDI H. SCHULMAN, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 31, 2002, VICE MARTHA BUCHANAN, RESIGNED, TO WHICH POSITION SHE WAS APPOINTED DURING THE LAST RECESS OF THE SENATE.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

KEVIN L. THURM, OF NEW YORK, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE WALTER D. BROADNAX, RESIGNED, TO WHICH POSITION HE WAS APPOINTED DURING THE LAST RECESS OF THE SENATE.

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING REGULAR OFFICERS OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD FOR PROMOTION TO THE GRADE OF CAPTAIN:

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CATHERINE M. KELLY

THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD PERMANENT COMMISSIONED TEACHING STAFF AT THE COAST GUARD ACADEMY FOR PROMOTION TO THE GRADE INDICATED:

To be commander

ROBERT R. ALBRIGHT, II
LUCRETIA A. FLAMMANG

To be lieutenant commander

JAMES R. DIRE

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THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL IN THE U.S.